

About the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Mission Statement

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) is working with others to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.



Conservation Principles

Science – Our work is grounded in thorough, objective science.

Stewardship – Our ethic is to conserve natural resources for future generations.

Service – It is our privilege to serve the American people.

Professionalism – We hold ourselves to the highest ethical standards, strive for excellence, and respect others.

Partnerships – We emphasize creative, innovative partnerships.

People – Our employees are our most valued asset.

Legacy – We ensure the future of natural resource conservation by connecting people with nature.

Priorities

National Wildlife Refuge System: conserving our lands and resources

Landscape conservation: working with others

Migratory birds: conservation and management

Threatened and endangered species: achieving recovery and preventing extinction

Aquatic species: National Fish Habitat Initiative and trust species

Connecting people with nature: ensuring the future of conservation

